**RESPONSES COMMENTS** 

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Date: Subject:

PEIRfor the Draft General Plan: Project No. 104495, SCH No. 2006091032

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please see below.

Eric Germain

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1. Page 2-6, bottom para: the fourth sentence should be reworded to reflect the fact that curtailing local government's ability to generate new revenue sources was not something stumbled into: it was the deliberate act of the voting public in an effort to limit a local government's ability to raise taxes and instead to direct said governments to control spending.

GG-2 2. Page 2-31 thru 2-33; there is no mention of street maintenance as a priority-service goal of the GP with levels of service that are measurable.

3. Page 2-40; table 2.4-3 and the entire discussion on public facilities makes no mention of streets/roads as a public facility provided by the city.

4. Page 3.15-1: Roadways are reviewed only insofar as the types of roads are described, but there is no follow-on discussion of road maintenance as a priority public service.

GG-5 5. Page 3.15-5: excessive detail is provided on levels of service (LOS) in

- GG-1 Page 2-6 of the PEIR and Page PF-4 of the Public Facilities, Services and Safety Element have been edited to include more neutral language regarding local government financing.
- A new goal will be added to this section as well as to the Mobility Element Section C.
- "Streets" will be added as a topic area with a reference to the Mobility Element.
- GG-4 Roadway maintenance is discussed in PEIR Section 2.2 (Page 2.21 of DEIR).
- Roadway maintenance is discussed in PEIR Section 2.2 (Page 2.21 GG-5 of DEIR).

terms of moving cars on roads and through intersections, and later on parking demand management, but there is no discussion of road maintenance as the critical public service provided by the city that keeps the whole system operating.

GG-6 Page 3.15-22: must reflect the new policy(les) on street maintenance that were recommended by CPC and agreed to by the CPCI staff.

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GG-6 Mobility Element edits related to maintenance have been included on this page of the PEIR.

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From:

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6/7/2007 2:32:37 PM conservation element and EIR

Ms. Mirrasoul --



I understand that you're accepting comments about the conservation element and EIR. I think it's a great time for San Diego to take a leadership role in protecting our environment against climate change. My only problem with the plan that will be voted on is its lack of specificity. It's much more difficult to enforce and to measure the results of vague recommendations, as well-meant as they might be.

On pages 199-200 (section 5.0) of the EIR, there are some specific items that should be done. You might also refer to the attached summary of Seattle's plan. They give dollar amounts and numbers for many of their actions.

I'd like to see a commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 90% by 2030. "Heat: How to Stop the Planet From Burning" by George Monbiot outlines a plan for the UK to do so. San Diego is in a much better position to use solar power than the UK. We need a clearly described and measurable plan to improve public transportation and bicycle paths, to improve our building standards, to reform our retail and construction industries, and to spread renewable energy collection throughout San Diego. In reducing sprawl and traffic, we can protect native habitats for San Diego's wild plants and creatures.

I know that your office has done a great deal of research on reducing greenhouse gas emissions in San Diego. I'm urging you to put an ambitious, detailed plan into action at once. There's no time for delay.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Carolyn R

Carolyn R. Thomas

HH-1 See response to comments B-1 and B-3 – B-13.